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Dear Sir:

This amendment and response is in response to the final Office Action dated October 4, 2005 (Paper No. 092005) and the Advisory Action dated December 21, 2005 (Paper No. 122005), for which a response was due on January 4, 2006. This response is filed with a request for a three-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination and therefore is timely. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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